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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 2688**  
Kazuyuki IMAGAWA et al. : Docket No. 2003\_1565A  
Serial No. 10/698,435 : Group Art Unit 2683  
Filed November 3, 2003 : Examiner Congvan Tran

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE :  
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**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
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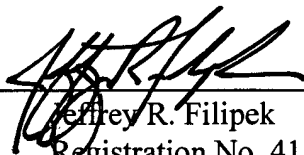
Sir:

Pursuant to the requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed August 30, 2005,  
Applicants hereby elect Invention I, claims 1-17.

In view of this election, a full examination on the merits of the present application is  
respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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